

## CDC Category A, B & C High Consequence Livestock Pathogens

*Biological agents and diseases that pose the greatest public health threat  
(From the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as of 5/07/01)*

### Category A (highest priority)

Pathogen or Toxin	Disease
<i>Bacillus anthracis</i>	Anthrax
<i>Clostridium botulinum</i> toxin	Botulism
<i>Francisella tularensis</i>	Tularemia
Variola major	Smallpox
Viral hemorrhagic fever viruses (filoviruses, arenaviruses)	Viral hemorrhagic fevers, e.g. Ebola, Marburg, Lassa fever, Machupo
<i>Yersinia pestis</i>	Plague

### Category B (second-highest priority)

Pathogen or Toxin	Disease
<i>Brucella</i> species	Brucellosis
<i>Burkholderia mallei</i>	Glanders
<i>Coxiella burnetti</i>	Q fever
Epsilon toxin of <i>Clostridium perfringens</i>	
Ricin toxin from <i>Ricinus communis</i> (castor beans)	
<i>Staphylococcus</i> enterotoxin B	

### Category C (third-highest priority)

Pathogen or Toxin	Disease
Hantaviruses	Hemorrhagic fever with renal syndrome Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome
<i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> (multidrug resistant)	Tuberculosis
Nipah virus	Nipah viral encephalitis
Tickborne encephalitis viruses	Encephalitis e.g. Kyasanur Forest disease, Powassan encephalitis
Tickborne hemorrhagic fever viruses	Hemorrhagic fevers e.g. Omsk hemorrhagic fever, Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever
Yellow fever virus	Yellow fever